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Title: PLAYBACK METHOD, PLAYBACK CONTROL CIRCUIT AND PLAYBACK APPARATUS FOR A RECORDING MEDIUM

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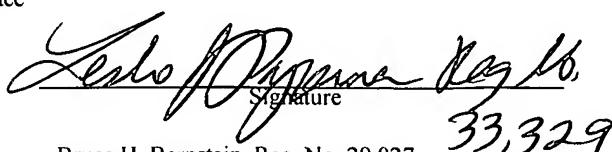
21. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information below and in the first sentence of the specification following the title, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 C.F.R. 1.76:

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2. CLAIMS

Total Claims	-20=	Extra	Fee from below	Fee Paid
23	-20=	3	x 18	54.00
Independent 4	-3=	1	x 86	86.00
Claims				
Multiple Dependent Claims		0	x 290	0

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1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20
1201	86	2201	43	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	290	2203	145	Multiple dependent claim
1204	86	2204	43	Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	18	2205	9	Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for reexamination	
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1252	420	2252	210	Extension for response within 2nd month	
1253	950	2253	475	Extension for response within 3rd month	
1254	1,480	2254	740	Extension for response within 4th month	
1255	2,010	2255	1,005	Extension for response within 5th month	
1401	330	2401	165	Notice of Appeal	
1402	330	2402	165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	290	2403	145	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive unavoidably abandoned application	
1453	1,330	2453	665	Petition to revive unintentionally abandoned application	
1501	1,330	2501	665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
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1460	130	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
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**COVER LETTER ACCOMPANYING U.S. PATENT APPLICATION
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Sir:

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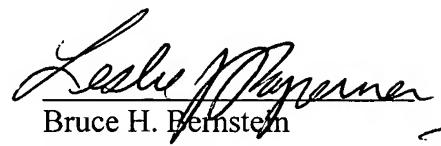
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The above-identified application includes:

- 68 pages of specification with abstract.
- 26 sheets of drawings with 36 figures.
- 23 total claims and 4 independent.
- an unexecuted Declaration and Power of Attorney.

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